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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn Boyd  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
**Public Service Commission of South Carolina**  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.;  
Request for Approval to Sell Real Property  
Docket No. 2020-\_\_\_\_\_-E

(This filing does not involve any change to the retail electric or natural gas base rates of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc.)

Dear Ms. Boyd:

South Carolina Code Ann. § 58-27-1300 (2015) requires Dominion Energy South Carolina ("DESC" or "Company") to obtain approval from the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") when the Company seeks to "sell, assign, transfer, lease, consolidate or merge its utility property" in excess of \$1,000,000. The purpose of this letter is to request approval from the Commission to sell certain real property owned by DESC with a fair market value in excess of \$1,000,000.

The real property that DESC wishes to sell consists of a parcel of land with an office building situated upon it. The land and office building are located in the southeast suburban portion of Columbia, approximately seven miles from downtown and have a physical street address of 7732 Garners Ferry Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29209 ("Garners Ferry Road Property"). Attached to this letter as Attachment 1 is a map depicting the Garners Ferry Road Property, which is outlined in yellow. The Garners Ferry Road Property consists of approximately five tax parcels totaling 3.77 acres. The primary parcel is 2.06 acres and is improved with a multi-purpose office building consisting of approximately 16,000 square feet. The office building was previously used by DESC as a customer service center and most recently served as a storage facility for the Company's corporate records. The other four parcels of land are undeveloped and situated to the rear of the primary parcel; these four parcels total 1.71 acres. The fair market value of the Garners Ferry Road Property exceeds \$1,000,000 and therefore, DESC must obtain prior approval from the Commission before the Company may sell the property.

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The Garners Ferry Road Property is classified on the books and records of DESC as common utility property and as such, is included within the Company's rate base for electric and natural gas operations as appropriate. In accordance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Uniform System of Accounts prescribed for public utilities, as adopted by the Commission, any gain realized from this transaction related to the building will be credited to depreciation reserves and any gain from this transaction related to the land will be recorded in Account 421.1000 entitled "Gain on Disposition of Property."

If the Commission grants the relief requested herein, then DESC, pursuant to the requirements of Order No. 92-931 issued in Docket No. 89-230-E/G, will publish a notice of availability in relevant local newspapers informing the public of the availability of the Garners Ferry Road Property ("Notice"). *See also* Commission Directive dated May 6, 2020 issued in Docket Nos. 2017-207-E, 2017-305-E, and 2017-370-E (approving revised Code of Conduct for DESC). The Notice will contain a description of the property and state the length of time that the Company will receive bids to purchase the property. The Company has not yet determined the length of the bidding period that will be included in the Notice, but at a minimum and in compliance with Order No. 92-931, DESC will accept bids for thirty (30) days; it is possible, however, that DESC may set the bidding period for longer than thirty (30) days. After expiration of the open bid period, the Company will sell the property to the successful bidder.

The request for relief set forth herein will not involve a change to any of DESC's retail rates or prices, or require any change in any Commission rule, regulation or policy. Accordingly, neither notice to the public at-large, nor a hearing is required regarding this request.

By copy of this letter, we are also notifying counsel for the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff of the Company's request for approval to sell the Garners Ferry Road Property.

If you have any questions, please advise.

Very truly yours,



K. Chad Burgess

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Enclosure

cc: Jeffrey M. Nelson, Esquire

(via electronic mail and U.S. First class mail w/enclosure)



Garners Ferry Road Property  
7732 Garner's Ferry Rd.  
3.770 ac

1 inch = 150 feet